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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: VanZandt, et al.

Application No.: 09/845,379

Group No.: 1626

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Examiner: E. Sakey

or: Inhibition of Matrix Metalloproteases by Substituted Biaryl Oxobutyric Acids

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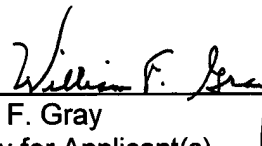
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Respectfully submitted,

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